Know-How Assistance to Small Scale Industry

2954. SHRIMATI MANORAMA PANDEY:

SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 15 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 20th November, 1991 and state:

(a) what are the administrative, technical. Economical financial difficulties M/s. Balmer Lawrie (India) Ltd., (Government Enterprises) are encountering in providing advance process know-how assistance to Small Sector for greases whereas under the New Industrial Policy for small sector Government have emphasised the need for the small sector to avail of the advantage of higher technological developments to open itself for international competition; and

(b) the steps Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) and (b) There is no proposal under consideration of Balmer Lawrie & Co. Ltd. for providing advanced technical know-how assistance to Small Sector for manufacturing greases.

However, such proposals could be considered on merits subject to the Government's guidelines and on commercially acceptable terms.

Oil Bureaucracy

2955. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of PETROLUEM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item captioned "Government moving to check Oil Bureaucracy" which appeared in the 'Times of India' dated September 17, 1991;

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) what steps have so far been taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) 72 blocks have been offered for oil and gas exploration by international and Indian companies. It has been decided to set up the Karnal Refinery by the Indian Oil Corporation.

Conservation of Petroleum Products

2956. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by Government during the last three years to conserve petroleum products;

(b) whether there has been any impact of these measures on their consumption; and

(c) if so, what is the reduction registered in the demand and import thereof and the foreign exchange saved as a result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) Besides demand management measures and increases in the pricing of petroleum products, programmes are continuing for creating mass awareness, imparting education and training to the target groups of users, and promoting adopion of measures for increasing oil use efficiency of vehicles and equipment of various types and for reducing wastages as well as wasteful use of petroleum products.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The growth in consumption of petroleum products has decreased to 1.3 per cent in 1990-91 from 8.1 per cent in 1989-90. It is not feasible to assess precisely the impact of the above measures on the demand for petroleum products and foreign exchange saved. However, the conservation measures taken by the Petroleum Conservation Research Association and the efineries have resulted in saving of about Rs. 238 crores during 1990-91.

गैस की ढुलाई

2957. **डा. अबरार अहमद** : क्या **पैट्रोलियम और प्राकतिक गैस** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि पिछले दो वर्षों के दौरान सवाई माधोपुर एल०पी०जी० बाटलिंग प्लांट पर गैस की ढुलाई के लिये निविदायें आमंत्रित की गई थीं ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो कब तथा किन-किन कम्पनियों तथा फर्मों से निविदायें प्राप्त हुई थीं; किन-किन कम्पनियों को यह काम आवंटित किया गया था और प्रत्येक कम्पनी द्वारा प्रस्तुत की गई दर और संख्या क्या है और उन कम्पनियों के नाम क्या-क्या हैं जिन्हें अतिरिक्त टैंकरों की आपूर्ति करने का काम सौंपा गया था ; उन्हें इस काम के लिये कितना समय दिया गया था ;

(ग) अतिरिक्त टैंकरों की आपूर्ति के लिये सार्वजनिक विज्ञापन जारी न किये जाने के क्या कारण हैं ; और

(घ) क्या यह सच है कि एक कम्पनी विशेष के मामले में ही टैंकरों की संख्या बढ़ाई गई थी ?

पैट्रोलियम और प्राकतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा रक्षा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री का अतिरिक्त प्रभार (श्री एस० कृष्ण कुमार) : (क) जी, हां ।

(ख) और (ग) एक सूची अनुपत्र में दी गई है (देखिये परिशिष्ट 161, अनुपत्र सं० 69) जिसमें टेंडरदाताओं के नाम और जिन्हें ठेका दिया गया उनके नाम तथा ठेके पर लिये गये टैंकरों की संख्या दी गई है:—

राज्य में राज्य के बार (पैसे/आर/टीकेएम/एमटी)	पर्वतीय क्षेत्र का प्रभार (%)	न्यूनतम (रुपये/एम टी)	
76.5	74.5	*	**

*पर्वतीय क्षेत्र का प्रभार सहित समेकित दर (रुपये/एमटी में)

	रु० प्रति एम०टी०
मथुरा—जम्मू	1087.70
जम्मू—श्रीनगर	677.16
मथुरा—श्रीनगर	1764.86
जालन्धर—जम्मू	335.25
जालन्धर—श्रीनगर	1012.41

**समेकित दर (न्यूनतम)

मथुरा-टिकरी/कासनाएस/एसबी	360.00 प्रति एम० टी

अपेक्षायें पूरी करने में, चूंकि यह बेड़ा अक्षम था, इसलिये उन्हीं दरों, शर्तों पर अतिरिक्त/समानता ठेकों के लिये नये आम विज्ञापन दिये गये ये प्रस्ताव दिनांक 16—11—1990 को खोले गये । उसके बाद निम्नलिखित तीन पार्टियों को ठेके दिये गये:—

(1) हिन्दुस्तान बल्क कैरियर्स . 42 ट्रक

(2) एयर वाइस मार्शल एस०सी० गुप्ता . . . 1 ट्रक

(3) मेज०जन० पी०सी० जेराथ . 1 ट्रक